WEATHER FORECAST:

## -INCLEMENT FOR GOLFERS -IDEAL FOR SNOW MOLDS

Cold, wet weather during the coming months may keep the golfers off your course, but it's a perfect invitation for another kind of inhabitant — snow molds. These dangerous fungi spread with disastrous speed and deadliness when temperatures are 28-42°F and there's plenty of moisture.

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Many persons are introduced to golf through the public courses. Dr. Damiani, his wife and son, have been learning the fundamentals from Joe Hunsberger (r), pro at Juniata.

By Joseph W. Dragonetti

# Rounds Played 233,000– Revenue \$378,000

The impact of public courses is reflected in these impressive figures. They tell the story of a single year's play at five Philadelphia muny courses.

Operation of Philadelphia's five public golf courses represents a big business, satisfying a great hunger for the game by an ever-widening cross-section of people and providing a growing market for services and equipment and a membership potential in the future for private clubs.

Garrett (Garry) Renn, former private club pro and supt. of Philadelphia's public golf courses, which come under the general supervision of the Fairmount Park Commission and the department of recreation, gives an insight into the operation of the public links, some of the problems involved and objectives for the future.

In 1961, according to Renn's annual report to William H. Noble, Jr., director of the Fairmount Park Commission, there were 233,547 rounds played at Philadelphia's five 18-hole courses. Revenues from fees amounted to \$378,460.

### \$200,000 Shop Gross

The revenue does not include about a \$200,000 gross done at the five pro shops. These shops are operated on a concession basis. The business of the pros on public links is becoming increasingly important because players at public courses are becoming more style conscious and also want to use the finest in equipment, Renn says.

Total green fees at the five courses in 1961 increased by \$7,680 from the previous year. Total revenues have been going up every year since 1955. In that year they were approximately \$190,610.

New records are likely to be set in 1962 because, based on play early this year, total rounds for 1962 will probably go about 10,000 over 1961. Weather permitting, the courses are used the year around. People often line up at dawn to tee off and play until dark.

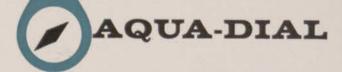
Cobbs Creek is the oldest of the city's five courses. It was built in 1916. Juniata was built in 1927; Walnut Lane and Roosevelt in 1939. At Karakung, 12 holes were finished in 1927 and the remaining six in 1939. Karakung adjoins Cobbs Creek.

#### Cobbs Creek an Incubator

Many of Philadelphia's top golfers, now members of private clubs, got their start at Cobbs Creek. This is considered to be a very stiff course with a par of 69. Many important tournaments have been held at Cobbs Creek, including the Philadelphia

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Garry Renn (r) has been running the Philadelphia public course golf show since 1950. At left, youngsters are taught how to caddy. This is a special service of the Philly system. It trains club carriers for the private clubs in and around the city, teaches the boys about the game and its etiquette.

Daily News Open in 1955 and 1956. The qualifying round for the Philadelphia Dist. USGA Public Links Championship was held at Cobbs Creek this year.

Each course has a clubhouse and pro shop. The pros operate on literally the same basis as independent contractors in private clubs. Their business is good and getting better. The pros set the tone for the game at public courses, stressing the importance of courtesy and knowing the rules of the game.

Renn concedes that etiquet is not quite as good as at private courses but improvements are constantly being made. Standard fees have been established by the city for lessons. They are \$4 an hour and six lessons for \$20. Business in this area is getting brisker because many newcomers to golf realize that this is not a game you learn by yourself.

#### Permanent Staff of 50

Although the pros operate as independent agents within the framework of the city's golf program, they also work in close cooperation with Garry Renn in maintenance problems, etc. Renn supervises a permanent staff of about 50. About 15 additional employees are needed in the summer months. He operates out of the Belmont Office of the Fairmount Park Commission.

He has been superintendent for the past 12 years. He previously served as a pro at Walnut Lane and was an assistant pro prior to that at two private courses, Whitemarsh Valley and Philmont. Born in Mount Holly, New Jersey, he has lived in Philadelphia since he was 4. He started to play golf when he was 13 at Juniata. He shoots in the 70's, but today does not get to play as often as he likes because of the press of official duties.

Renn is a member of the Philadelphia Section PGA and Philadelphia area rep for public golf courses of the USGA. He is also a member of the GCSA and, in 1959, was chairman of the Philadelphia group's education committee. He is strong on maintenance, drawing on his own experience at the city's experimental golf course nursery, which also comes under his supervision, and from close contacts with such top men as Joe Valentine of Merion, Marshall Farnham, of the Philadelphia CC and Eb Steiniger of Pine Valley.

One of the problems, of course, is maintaining grass on the tees of the Philly courses. Bermuda Grass may be introduced next year. In an annual report, Renn also has recommended conversion to Bermuda fairways.

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### Turf Talk by Bob Miller

This month I would like to comment on several recent developments I have noticed while following most of the major golf tournaments of the year. The first is the rapidly growing interest in golf as more and more players and spectators flock to courses all over the country. The second is the excellent condition of the courses. As the interest in golf has grown, interest in better kept or better maintained courses has grown also. And we are pleased to note that golf course superintendents have played their part with their efforts to keep the courses in the best possible condition.

The recent tournaments have provided good examples of this. The courses have looked excellent and the turf has stood up very well despite heavy play and large crowds of spectators at such major tournaments as the Masters at Augusta, the Open at Oakmont, and the PGA at Aronomink. This is a tribute to the fine job done by all golf course superintendents.

Our congratulations to the John Graveses, the Louie Scalzos, the George Baskins and all golf course superintendents who are working hard to keep their courses in fine playing condition. Praise is in order for all the men who do so much to make the game of golf more enjoyable under difficult conditions.

Bob Miller

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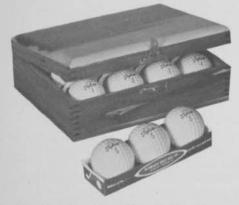
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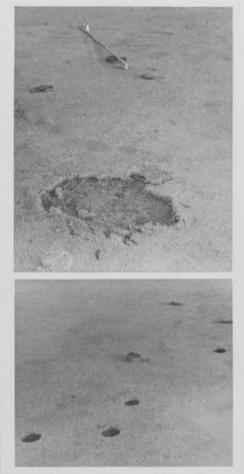
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## Evidence of Well Planned Destruction at Agawam

Damage inflicted on greens at Agawam Hunt in East Providence, R. I., this summer wasn't just the work of hit and run vandals. Charles W. Parker, supt. at the club, is convinced that a well planned foray was carried out. In the top photo, the flagpole was hacked in two, something that Parker says never was done before. In the past, poles were split lengthwise, which is somewhat easier to do than cutting them in two. The Agawam greenmaster estimates that it took at least five minutes to commit this depredation.



In the bottom photo, a hole-cutter was not used to gouge turf out of the green, although it appears that it was. Parker reasons that the vandals looked around until they found a tin can with the exact